Baum honored at testimonial dinner

A testimonial dinner in honor of David J. Baum was held on Thursday, July 15, at the Hotel Chellino.

Joseph Pascoe welcomed the dinner guests, some of whom traveled from Pittsburgh, Philadelphia and New York to attend, sponsored by the Committee to Restore Carbondale City Hall.

Unknown to Baum, his parents, Ray and Barbara Baum from Pittsburgh, were among the assembled guests in the Hotel Chellino when David Baum arrived for the dinner.

Mary Lou Dearie gave the invocation at the beginning of the roast turkey dinner, prepared and served by John and Marge Spedding and their daughter Laura.

At the conclusion of the dinner, Joseph Pascoe introduced the evening's toastmaster, S. Robert Powell, president of the Committee to Restore Carbondale City Hall. In his address to the group, Powell outlined the many ways in which David Baum has generously given of his time and talents in the past eighteen months, not only on behalf of the Committee to Restore Carbondale City Hall, but also on behalf of the city of Carbondale. Powell also outlined the objectives and accomplishments of the Committee to Restore Carbondale City Hall, which was formed in November 1981, and the Committee's plans for the near future.

Mulholland, Anne Marie Novobilski, Jerome Novobilski, Jerry Palko, Joseph Pascoe, Donald W. Powell, S. Robert Powell, John J. Revak, Kay Shifler, Oliver Shifler, Barry Siebold, Mary Siebold, Bert Silvestri, John Spedding, Laura Spedding, Marge Spedding, Mrs. Charles Speicher, and George Wallis Jr.

At the conclusion of the evening's program, Kay Shifler gave the benediction.

It was decided that an annual dinner, sponsored by the Committee to Restore Carbondale City Hall, will be held to celebrate the Committee's accomplishments during the year and to honor an individual who has significantly contributed of his-her time and talents on behalf of the historic preservation movement in Carbondale.

Following Powell's address, David Baum thanked the Committee for the honor they had bestowed upon him by sponsoring the testimonial in his honor, and expressed his genuine committment to the historic preservation movement in Carbondale and to the city of Carbondale.

Powell then presented to David Baum a bound commemorative volume entitled "Proceedings of the Committee to Restore Carbondale City Hall, July 1981-July 1982." All of the dinner guests then signed this impressive two-volume, which was produced, as a public service, by Sheffield Publications, Inc., Carbondale.

The dinner guests were: Barbara Baum. David Baum, Ray Baum, Earl Bishop, Teresa Bomba, John V. Buberniak, Jean Colville, Mary Lou Dearie, Dominick Famularo, Steve Gallinot, Donna Gumble, George Hyduchak, Mrs. Paul Kelly, Nan Loftus, Fran Mancuso, Mayor Fred Mancuso, Mary Monahan, Charlotte Moro, Joseph Moro. Mrs. Frank